

STATE OF MAINE
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

Docket No. 2002-704

June 23, 2003

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
Investigation of Skowhegan OnLine
Inc. proposal for UNE loops

PROCEDURAL ORDER

Post-hearing briefs shall be filed on or before **July 11, 2003**. Reply briefs shall be filed on or before **July 18, 2003**. Parties are asked to address the following specific questions in their briefing:

1. Does Verizon have a retail product, or combination of products, that a CLEC could order if Verizon was unable to fill a wholesale subloop order due to the unavailability of screw post terminals at a particular site?

2. Please provide citations to all relevant federal and state statutes, rules, and orders relating to the definition of loop and subloop unbundled network elements (UNEs), the provision of loop and subloop UNEs, any requirements or limitations relating to splice cases and splicing activities, and a state commission's authority to order additional UNEs or conditions relating to UNEs beyond those required by the FCC.

3. **Verizon:** Without regard to OSS-related conditions, please provide a written description of the conditions relating to the availability of loops and screw posts with both Ready Access and Fixed Count Terminals under which Verizon can provide the subloop requested by SOI.

4. **Verizon:** Other than the fact that the FCC has defined the loop as terminating at an end user premises, please provide all other rationale (both technical and policy) for why Verizon believes a loop must be terminated at an end user premises rather than a generic demarcation point, such as a CLEC-owned NID.

5. **Verizon:** Please include as an attachment to the brief, the data disclosed during the hearing by Karen Lucas regarding loop and subloop availability. If the data is available by wire center, please provide in that format.

6. **CLECs:** Please comment on whether, if the availability of the requested subloop is as described by Verizon during the hearing, your request/interests have been fully addressed. If not, explain why.

BY ORDER OF THE HEARING EXAMINER

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